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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MANAGING ADAPTERS IN A DATA PROCESSING SYSTEM

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A method, apparatus and computer instructions for
handling a failure of a primary adapter in a data
processing system. The primary adapter is monitored for
10 the failure by the device driver. A standby adapter
handled by the device driver is switched in place of the
primary adapter in response to detecting the failure.